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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: OVIP (CHRISTOPHER, WARREN), US, GR

SUBJECT: CHRISTOPHER VISIT TO ATHENS

REF: (A) ATHENS 7517, (B) STATE 220919

1. YOU MAY INFORM GOG THAT DEPSEC CHRISTOPHER WOULD BE ABLE TO VISIT GREECE DURING PERIOD OCT 19-22. SHOULD THESE DATES BE AGREEABLE TO GOG, HE WOULD TENTATIVELY PLAN TO LEAVE NEW YORK ON DIRECT TWA FLIGHT EVENING OF OCT 18, AND DEPART ON DIRECT TWA FLIGHT TO NEW YORK MID-DAY OCT 22. THIS WOULD PERMIT EVENING FUNCTION ON DAY OF ARRIVAL, OCT 19; FULL WORKING DAY, OCT 20; AND HALF DAY OCT 21. SATURDAY AFTERNOON, OCT 21, WOULD BE AVAILABLE FOR POSSIBLE FREE TIME OUTSIDE ATHENS; WOULD WELCOME EMBASSY SUGGESTIONS. DEPSEC IS PREPARED TO HOLD PRESS CONFERENCE AND PARTICIPATE IN OTHER PUBLIC EVENTS, BUT WE DO NOT BELIEVE
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FORMAL SPEECH WOULD BE ADVISABLE.

2. WE ARE IN PROCESS DEVELOPING FURTHER OUR THINKING ON VISIT AND WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY RECOMMENDATIONS AS WELL AS FURTHER INDICATION OF GOG INTERESTS. WE THINK IT ESSENTIAL THAT TO EXTENT POSSIBLE OBJECTIVES AND HOW TO ACCOMPLISH THESE BE WORKED OUT WITH GREEKS IN ADVANCE.

PLEASE ADVISE GOG AGREEMENT TO PROPOSED DATES. CHRISTOPHER

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